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ABSTRACT of ſeveral Acts of Parliament, now in Force, which were made for preventing His Majeſty's Subjects from Trading to the Eaſt-Indies, under Foreign Commiſſions; and from being intereſted or concerned in any Foreign Eaſt-India Company to be erected.

BY the following Acts of Parliament now in Force, and which were made, for preventing His Majeſty's Subjects from Trading to the Eaſt-Indies under Foreign Commiſſions; and from being intereſted, or concerned, in any Foreign Eaſt-India Company, to be erected; it is enacted as follows, *viz.*

5th Geo. I. *Cap.* 21.] By an Act paſſed in the 5th Year of His late Majeſty King George the Firſt, all His Majeſty's Subjects, except thoſe Licenſed by the Eaſt-India Company, are prohibited from going to the Eaſt-Indies. — And to the End ſuch Offenders may be brought to Juſtice, the Eaſt-India Company are empowered to arreſt, and ſeize, ſuch Offenders in the Eaſt-Indies, and to ſend them to England, there to anſwer for the ſaid Offence; And every Britiſh Subject, who ſhall procure, ſollicit for, obtain, or act under, any Commiſſion, Authority, or Paſs, from any Foreign Prince, or State, to ſail, or go, or trade, in, or to the Eaſt-Indies, incurs, and forfeits, for every ſuch Offence, 500*l.*

7th Geo. I. *Cap.* 21.] By another Act paſſed in the 7th Year of His late Majeſty King George the Firſt, every Subject of His Majeſty, who ſhall go to, or ſhall Trade, or Adventure into, or from, the Eaſt-Indies, (contrary to the Laws in being,) and ſhall be convicted thereof, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Record at Weſtminſter, is to pay, and ſuffer ſuch Fine, and Impriſonment, as the Court ſhall think fit.

And all the Goods, and Merchandize, that ſhall be bartered or traffick'd for, in the Eaſt-Indies or purchaſed there, by any ſuch Offenders, or that ſhall be found in his Cuſtody, or in the Cuſtody of any other Perſon, by his Order, or Procurement, are declared to be forfeited, with double the Value thereof.

9th Geo. I. *Cap.* 26.] By an Act paſſed in the 9th Year of His late Majeſty King George the Firſt, all His Majeſty's Subjects are prohibited from ſubſcribing, contributing to, encouraging, or promoting, the raiſing, eſtabliſhing, or carrying on, any Foreign Company, from, and after, the 24th Day of June, 1723, to be raiſed, formed, or erected, for Trading to the Eaſt-Indies, and from being intereſted in, or intitled to, any Share in the Stock, or Capital, of ſuch Foreign Company, under Forfeiture of all his, her, or their Intereſt, in the Capital, Principal, Stock, or Actions, of any ſuch Foreign Company, together with Treble the Value thereof.

And the Attorney-General is empowered to exhibit Bills of Complaint in the Court of Chancery, or Court of Exchequer, againſt ſuch Offenders, for the Diſcovery of ſuch Offence; which Diſcovery ſuch Offenders are obliged to make on the Attorney-General's waving in ſuch Bill, the ſaid Forfeiture of the Treble Value, and inſiſting only on the Single Value thereof; And in ſuch Caſe, the Single Value is to be decreed to be paid by ſuch Offender.

And that every Subject of His Majeſty accepting of any Truſt, or knowing of any Intereſt, Share, Part, Proportion, or Concern, which any other of His Majeſty's Subjects ſhall have, or be intitled to, in any ſuch Foreign Company; and who ſhall not, within Six Months, next after the Accepting ſuch Truſt, or coming to the Knowledge of ſuch Intereſt, Share, Proportion, or Concern, as aforeſaid, truly diſcover the ſame in Writing to the Eaſt-India Company, or their Court of Directors, ſhall forfeit Treble the Value of the Intereſt ſo accepted in Truſt, or ſo known and not diſcovered, as aforeſaid; and any Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery, is intitled to a Moiety of the Forfeiture.

And all His Majeſty's Subjects, (other than ſuch as are lawfully authorized thereunto,) going to,

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to, or found in the East-Indies, are declared guilty of a High Crime, and Misdemeanor, and are made liable to Corporal Punishment, Imprisonment, or Fine, for the same, at the Discretion of such of His Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, where the Prosecution for such Offence shall be commenced.

And every Person so offending may be seized, and brought to England, and committed to Goal there, by any one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, until sufficient Security be given by Natural-born Subjects or Denizens, to appear in the Court, where such Prosecution shall be commenced, to answer the same, and not depart without Leave of the Court.

3*d Geo.* II. *Cap.* 14.] By an Act passed in the 3d Year of His present Majesty, it is Enacted, That if any of His Majesty's Subjects (other than the East-India Company, and those licensed by them) shall directly, or indirectly, go to, trade, or adventure into, or from, the East-Indies, every such Offender shall incur the Forfeiture, and Loss, of all the Ships, and Vessels, employed in such Voyage, Trade, or Adventure; and also all the Goods laden thereupon, or that were sent to, acquired, traded, or adventured, within the East-Indies, and all the Proceed, and Effects, of the same, and Double the Value thereof.

Petersbourg, Auguſt 4. By Letters from Moscow we are assured, that they are working with great Diligence in rebuilding the Houses which were burnt down there by the late great Fires. The same Letters add, that since the Punishment of the Ringleaders of the late Disturbances in several of the Villages round that Capital, all Things have been very quiet; but that the Troops quartered in those Villages, to keep the Inhabitants in Awe, have not as yet been removed. We have an Account from Siberia, of the Death of M. Soucharoff, Governor General of that Province; but no Person is yet appointed by her Imperial Majesty to fill that important Post.

Naples, Aug. 4. Their Majesties, and the young Royal Family, are returned to their Palace in this City from Portici. The Queen is perfectly recovered from her late Lying-in, and proposes going with his Majesty next Week to the Island of Procida, in order to take the Diversion of Hunting. A few Days ago an extraordinary Council was held at Court, at the breaking up of which a Courier was dispatched for Madrid, but the Contents of his Dispatches are kept secret. The News of the Death of the Archbishop of Otranto is confirmed, and great Interest is making at Court to succeed him in that rich Benefice. By Letters from Tivoli we have an Account, that on the 21st past at Night they felt a most violent Shock of an Earthquake, but that the Damage caused thereby was not very considerable.

Leghorn, Aug. 7. The Regency of this City having received certain Advice of the Plague's continuing to increase at Algiers, have renewed their Orders, that no Ships whatsoever coming from that Coast, be permitted to enter into any of our Ports without performing a strict Quarantain. The Reports that have been spread of certain Imperial Regiments being soon to march from Lombardy into this Dutchy, are, as we apprehend, without Foundation, as no Preparations whatsoever are making for their Reception. They write from Parma, that the Departure of the Dutchess of that Place, with her Daughter, for France, was fixed for the 2d of next Month.

Rome, Aug. 11. We had last Week, by the Arrival of a Vessel from Tunis, a Confirmation of the Flight of the Bey's eldest Son towards the Confines of Algiers; and that the former Tranquillity was again restored at Tunis. This Country has been greatly troubled of late with terrible Shocks of Earthquakes, for besides those lately felt at Gubbio and Foligno, our Letters to Day bring us an Account of a violent one that happened a few Days since at Spoletto. Some Country People have been lately apprehended, by Order of this Government, for having secreted a large Quantity of Gold Coin which they found in digging at the Seat of Prince Pallavicini at Passerano. Upon their Examination they discovered where most of it was concealed, which was found according to their Direction; it appears to be very ancient, but is not greatly defaced, having been well secured in a strong Urn.

Prague, Aug. 14. The Prince of Furstenberg, who has spent best Part of the Summer at his Seat in this Kingdom, came here on Thursday Night last with all his Family. All the Troops destined to form the Camp at Colin are arrived, but the wet Weather has as yet prevented their being daily exercised as usual. On Saturday last a Fire broke out at a Baker's in the Old Town, and burnt with great Violence, but by timely Assistance it was soon got under, only three or four Houses having been consumed.

Dresden, Aug. 16. Count Bestucheff, who resided many Years at the Court of Vienna in Quality of Minister Plenipotentiary from the Empress of Russia, arrived here two or three Days ago, and has already had the Honour of being presented to the King, and the rest of the Royal Family; and next Week he proposes leaving this Place, in order to continue his Journey for Petersbourg. The King has lately made a Promotion of Military Officers, amongst whom the Majors General Bellegarde, Vitzhum, Munchau, and Plotz, have been raised to the Rank of Lieutenants General; and Colonel Bohlau, of his Majesty's Body Guards, has been raised to that of Major General. M. Calkoen, Envoy Extraordinary from the States General of the United Provinces, has obtained

tained Leave of this Court to return to Holland on his private Affairs, and propoſes ſetting out from hence To-morrow for the Hague; he goes by the Way of Hanover, where 'tis ſaid he is to execute a private Commiſſion of great Importance.

Duſſeldorp, Aug. 22. We learn by Letters from Neuhauſs, that the Court of the Elector of Cologn is extremely brilliant, occaſioned by the great Number of Perſons of Diſtinction whom his Highneſs's Preſence has brought thither. The ſame Letters add, that on Wedneſday laſt his Electoral Highneſs's Birth-day was celebrated there with great Magnificence, on which Occaſion the States of the Biſhoprick of Paderborn made him a Preſent of 10,000 Florins. 'Tis ſaid his Highneſs intends to ſet out from thence on the 10th of next Month for Bon; and that he will take his Route by Arensbourg, where he propoſes ſtaying two or three Days, in order to take the Diverſion of Hunting in that Neighbourhood.

Bruſſels, Aug. 23. They write from Luxembourg, that ſeveral conſiderable Bodies of Recruits were lately arrived there from different Parts of the Empire, in order to compleat the Regiments in Garriſon at that Place.

Hague, Aug. 24. The States of Holland and Weſtfrizeland, who opened their Aſſembly Yeſterday, have this Day continued their Deliberations. Baron Reiſchach, Envoy Extraordinary from their Imperial Majeſties to this Republick, has received, by Expreſs, an Account of her Imperial Majeſty's happy Delivery of an Archdutcheſs on the 13th Inſtant, and has communicated the ſame to the Preſident of the Aſſembly of their High Mightineſſes the States General.

Victualling-Office, Aug. 17, 1752.

The Commiſſioners for Victualling his Majeſty's Navy hereby give Notice, That on Wedneſday the 20th of September next, exactly at Twelve of the Clock at Noon, they will be ready to receive Propoſals from ſuch Perſons as are inclinable to furniſh Oxen and Hogs for the Sea-Store at the Ports of London, Portſmouth, and Plymouth.

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